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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: TABSA FOREIGN AIR CARRIER PERMIT

REF: STATE 107898

1. EXCEPT FOR CALL FOR CAUTION PARA 3, EMBASSY HAS NO FURTHER OBJECTION TO CAB ISSUING SHOW CAUSE ORDER TO TABSA AND FOR NORMAL HEARING PROCESS TO GO FORWARD. WE HAVE EXPLAINED REASONS FOR CAB ACTION TO CIVAIR UNDERSEC CASANOVAS AND CIVAIR DIRGEN AYALA.

2. BY WAY OF BACKGROUND EMBASSY PROVIDES FOLLOWING: GOB CIVAIR COUNCIL STILL CONSIDERING TABSA PERMIT TO FLY INTERNATIONALLY. FINAL DECISION HAS BEEN POSTPONED SEVERAL TIMES. IN MEANTIME CASANOVAS REPORTS THAT TABSA NO LONGER USING AIRLIFT INTERNATIONAL RENTALS BUT IS PURCHASING OWN DC7. NONETHELESS, CASANOVAS WHO IS VICE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL BELIEVES THAT IT WILL RULE THAT TABSA SHOULD NOT HAVE RIGHT TO CARRY INTERNATIONAL CARGO. HE ASKS TO RECEIVE COPY OF ORDER SOON AS AVAILABLE. HE THINKS THAT ANOTHER BOLIVIAN CARRIER, PERHAPS FRIMO, MIGHT WISH TO APPLY FOR US LANDING PERMIT. AYALA RAISED NO OBJECTION TO PROPOSED CAB ACTION.

3. EMBASSY HAS SEEN DANGER THAT CAB ACTION WOULD BE INTERPRETED AS U.S. EFFORT TO LIMIT BOLIVIAN USE OF BILATERAL RIGHTS, ESPECIALLY SEVERAL MONTHS AGO, WHEN
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LOCAL BRANIFF PERMIT BEING DEBATED HERE. STATEMENTS ABOVE

OF TWO MOST CONCERNED GOB OFFICIALS SHOULD MINIMIZE THAT RISK. NOW IT APPEARS THAT CAB ACTION WILL BE USED TO HELP LOCAL OFFICIALS HALT TABSA INTERNATIONAL SERVICES AS THEY ALREADY SEEM TO DESIRE. WHILE WE CANNOT AVOID BEING USED AS INSTRUMENT OF LOCAL INTERESTS, AT EACH STEP CAB'S ACTIONS SHOULD BE PORTRAYED AS PART OF SEMI-JUDICIAL PROCESS GOVERNED BY LONG-STANDING LEGAL PROCEDURES.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH COPIES OF SHOW CAUSE ORDER WHEN AND IF PUBLISHED AND BRIEF EXPLANATION OF LEGAL STEPS INVOLVED.

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